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SUBJECT: EXTRA COSTS RELATING TO 19TH FAO CONFERENCE

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1) EXTRA COSTS CONNECTED WITH FAO COUNCIL AND CONFERENCE MEETINGS NOVEMBER 11-DECEMBER 1 ARE HARD TO ESTIMATE WITHOUT KNOWING EXACT SIZE OR COMPOSITION OF DELEGATION. THERE FOLLOWS FODAG CALCULATIONS AND ESTIMATES WITH THE ASSUMPTIONS THEY ARE BASED UPON.

1) CARS AND DRIVERS- EMBASSY CAN PROVIDE A CAR AND DRIVER FOR SECRETARY BERGLAND FOR ONE WEEK, NOVEMBER 13-NOVEMBER 19. EMBASSY CAN ALSO PROVIDE A CAR AND DRIVER FOR HEAD OF DELEGATION FOR PERIOD NOVEMBER 11-NOVEMBER 24. EMBASSY ESTIMATES, BASED ON PAST EXPERIENCE, THAT OVERTIME OF THE DRIVERS FOR THEIR TWO CARS WILL TOTAL 180 HOURS OR \$600 WHICH WOULD NEED TO BE AUTHORIZED BY DEPARTMENT. ADDITIONAL CARS ASSIGNED TO THE DELEGATION WOULD HAVE TO BE HIRED LOCALLY. THIS WILL BE NECESSARY FOR ANY CONGRESSIONAL DELEGATES TO CONFERENCE. CAR RENTALS WITH A CHAUFFEUR ARE ABOUT \$ 100
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PER 12 HOUR DAY. THE EMBASSY WOULD BE ABLE TO PROVIDE SOME AD HOC DRIVER SERVICES DEPENDING ON DEMAND.

2) SECRETARIES-FODAG BELIEVES THAT IT SHOULD HIRE ONE FULL TIME SECRETARY FOR DURATION OF MEETING NOVEMBER 11-DECEMBER 1. IN ADDITION IT WILL SEEK ONE SECRETARY FOR EVENING WORK. COST OF SECRETARY IS ABOUT \$ 210.00 A WEEK. OVERTIME IS

ABOUT \$ 8.00 AN HOUR. CONSIDERING SATURDAYS AND THANKSGIVING,
OVERTIME MAY RUN TO 40-50 HOURS OR \$ 320 TO \$ 400.

3) REPRESENTATION- AT THE 18TH FAO CONFERENCE, THE AMBASSADOR
HOSTED A RECEPTION FOR 250 PEOPLE AT A COST OF \$ 750 PROVIDED
BY OIC. WITH AN INCREASE IN THE MEMBERSHIP OF FAO TO 143
COUNTRIES, 300 PEOPLE HAVE TO BE ESTIMATED FOR A RECEPTION
OF ALL HEADS OF DELEGATION WITH WIVES PLUS A FEW KEY FAO AND
OTHER OFFICIALS. THE EMBASSY ESTIMATES THE COST OF SUCH
A RECEPTION AT \$ 3.00 PER PERSON OR AT \$ 900. IN ADDITION
SECRETARY BERGLAND MAY WISH TO HOST A SMALL LUNCH FOR THE FAO
DIRECTOR GENERAL, 12 PEOPLE WOULD COST \$ 100 AT THE FAO, AND
THE HEAD OF THE DELEGATION MAY WISH LATER IN THE CONFERENCE
TO HOST A SIMILAR SIZED SMALL LUNCH. THUS TOTAL
REPRESENTATION FUNDS WILL RUN \$ 900 TO \$ 1100.

4) SECURITY-THIS MESSAGE DOES NOT COVER COSTS OF SECURITY FOR
SECRETARY BERGLAND WHICH CAN BE CALCULATED IN WASHINGTON BY
OFFICIALS CONCERNED.

5) OFFICE SPACE-FODAG INTENDS TO USE ITS PRESENT ENLARGED
OFFICES AND CONFERENCE ROOM TO HANDLE DELEGATION. HOWEVER,
IF OIC INTENDS TO SEND TEAM TO ASSIST DELEGATION, PLEASE
INFORM EMBASSY ASAP SO ADDITIONAL OFFICE SPACE IN UPPER FLOORS
OF EMBASSY ANNEX CAN BE UTILIZED. THERE IS NO EXTRA RENTAL
COST BEYOND SETTING UP OFFICE. FODAG EXPECTS TO HAVE NEW,
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FASTER XEROX MACHINE INSTALLED BY TIME OF CONFERENCE.

6) HOTELS-SEE SEPARATE CABLE AS WELL AS REFTEL.
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